



May 1, 2006

Effective immediately, or as contract terms permit, General Chemical Industrial Products Inc. and General Chemical (Soda Ash) Partners will be increasing list and off-list prices for all bulk and packaged soda ash shipments by \$15 per net ton (US funds). This increase applies to all grades of soda ash from all General Chemical plant, terminal and warehouse shipping locations.

**New List Prices (US funds)
Effective May 1, 2006
FOB Green River, Wyoming**

Bulk Dense Soda	\$170.00 per net ton
Bulk Natural Light	\$175.00 per net ton
Bulk Natural Light-HA	\$200.00 per net ton
Bulk Dense Ash – Food Grade	\$190.00 per net ton
All packaged products	Adjustments to include \$15/NT bulk price increase plus current packaging cost economics
Warehouse/Terminal locations	Adjustments to include \$15/NT bulk price increase plus current packaging cost economics plus current freight and terminal/ warehouse costs

General Chemical's energy surcharge program continues to remain in effect. The program's current second quarter, 2006, energy surcharge adjustment is \$4.50 per net ton.